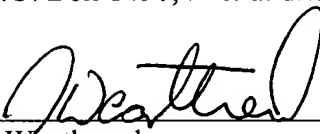


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In response to the Election of Species Requirement contained in the Office Action of March 9, 2004, applicant hereby provisionally elects Species I (Figures 1, 2, and 3) for continued prosecution in the above-identified application.

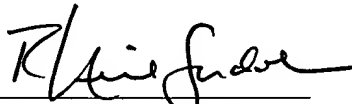
Claims 14-18 and 26 are believed to read on the elected species.

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Should the Examiner believe that direct contact with applicant's attorney would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number below.

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